28. (New) A program storage device readable by a machine and encoding machine-executable instructions that include instructions for performing the methods of any one of claims 21 through 23.
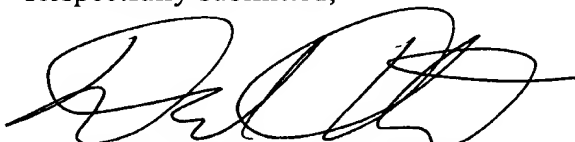
REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment presents new claims 21-28 which are directed to verification of trusted-path commands. Claims 21-28 essentially correspond to non-elected claims 10-16 and 21 from the parent case. Unlike the non-elected claims 13-15 and 21 in the parent case, new claims 24-28 depend only from the claims in this case.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and such actions are respectfully requested. If there are any questions or comments regarding this Preliminary Amendment, the Examiner is encouraged to contact George W. Jordan III or David R. Clonts at (713) 220-5800.

Respectfully submitted,

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